July 5, 2012

Lee Agricultural Commission

Present: Paul Gasowski, Carole Dennis, Laurel Cox, Erick Sawtelle, Dwight Barney, Laura Gund

Membership: Carole is now "officially" an alternate member of the Agricultural Commission.

Minutes: The minutes of both April 24th and May 29th were read. They were read and accepted with the following changes: On May 29th, Paul Gasowski's name was omitted from the attendees and "Karsey" should be spelled with a "C".

Financial report: There have been no new transactions.

Lee Fair: Carole would like a letter, from someone in Lee, stating that her materials will be used at an event in town. These are from the NH Department of Education and will be part of the nutrition education outreach program. "This program actively solicits parent involvement and engages local communities to promote positive health behaviors among children." She will talk to Mark Kustra, Chairman, regarding this. It will be a full day at the fair with lots of activities for everyone. Various aspects of the fair were discussed: commercial booths will be together; artisan market booths will be on the ballfield; Annie Gasowski needs a larger tent for the dessert contest; the big, pig roast and chicken barbecue tent will be in the same place as last year. Discussed whether to have one seating or two. One big pig or two smaller ones? We need the manpower to do two pigs. Should the Ag. Comm. buy a tent? The Ag. Comm. members will be asked for help on that day. Discussed the use of compostable plates and utensils. Paul will look into availability. Also, should check with Roger Rice at the Transfer Station, to find out whether NRRA (Northeast Resource Recovery Asso.) has access to compostable dishes. We will need help in setting up, tickets, etc. Paul will do the tickets, which will be the same as last year.

Ath-Mor Farm: Laurel reported that Ath-Mor Farm on Lee Hook Road will be for sale.

Noble Farm: Discussed the possibility of a composting facility at the Noble Farm Site. Ryan Bedard apparently is doing such a facility in Maine.

Brochure: This was once again discussed. Laura will send a letter and farm list around so we can start making contacts.

Next meeting: July 31, 2012

Minutes submitted by Laura Gund